

June 5, 2009

The Glastonbury Town Council
2155 Main Street
Glastonbury, CT 06033

Re: Town Manager's Report

Dear Council Members:

The following will keep you up-to-date on various topics:

1. **Land Acquisition:**

Town purchase of the 27.6 acre former LaCava parcel closed on Tuesday, May 26th and purchase of the 140± acre Winter Hill parcel closed on Friday, June 5th.

2. **Dog Park:**

A question was asked at the May 26th meeting concerning the Riverfront Park Master Plan Phase I and the area now proposed for the dog park. The general area was suggested for either continued use for agriculture or part of a larger grassland habitat for certain bird species. Agriculture will continue under the dog park proposal. However, the area for agriculture will be reduced by dog park construction.

3. **Riverfront Park Master Plan – Phase II:**

A presentation is scheduled for the June 23rd Council meeting. The plan generally involves the area between Naubuc Avenue and the Hallmark Tire location. To date approximately \$2 million is available for the project including \$1.775 million in state grants. Council will likely want to schedule at least one public information hearing on the plan.

4. **Renewable Energy Certificate:**

Per the attached, Glastonbury's participation in the Clean Energy Program funded purchase of 396 MWh wind generated electricity delivered to the electric grid. The Board of Education's participation was twice the amount of the Town, or approximately 792 MWh. This results from the larger physical plant allocated to education uses.

5. **Paper Shredding:**

The community paper shredding event, held on Saturday, May 30th, attracted approximately 60-70 participants. The event recycled 8,605 lbs. or 4.3 tons of paper. The program was well received.

6. **Fire Department Drill:**

The Fire Department will conduct a water supply drill on Sunday, June 28th from 8AM to 11:30AM. This will be held in the area of the former J.T. Slocumb property. The purpose is to determine gallons per minute the Department would be able to flow using the hydrant on Hopewell Road near Heather Glen and drafting from Roaring Brook. Area residents have been notified accordingly.

7. **GHS Pressbox:**

Work continues to purchase and install the new press box at the high school track and field area. Delivery and installation is now expected in late July/early August. Provided all proceeds on schedule, the new press box will be available for the start of the high school fall sports 2009 season.

I will be happy to review the preceding and any other items Tuesday evening.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Johnson
Town Manager

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